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BOYS' ROOMS.

On Monday evening, at 7 o'clock, the Boys' Committee were in the Boys' Rooms ready to issue season tickets, admitting boys between six and fifteen to the rooms and entertainments. At a much earlier hour the south side of Locust Street was lined with a motley crowd of several hundred boys, impatient for the opening. Into the Locust Street entrance, by the committee who recorded their name, age, parent's occupation, their Sunday-school and day school, and gave them their tickets, then out upon Second Street the little regiment filed. Tuesday night a policeman's presence kept all quiet along the line, and the work of enrolling continued briskly. Up to the time of going to press more than three hundred tickets were issued—twice as many as at the same time last year.

Every Friday evening there will be literary and religious exercises, in which the boys will take part. Entertainments will be given in Association Hall from 7.30 to 8.30 o'clock on Monday evenings.

Boys who have not yet secured their tickets can get them by applying at the Library any afternoon next week, between 4.30 and 5.30 o'clock. The parents of the boys may rest assured that their boys will not be detained later than 8.30 on any evening, so that they may expect them home after that hour.

The members of the committee are assigned as follows:

Monday—J. C. Harvey, S. J. M. McCarrell, Parker Smith, Stewart Keeling and the entire Committee.

Tuesday—George Roberts and Chas. Kennedy.

Wednesday—Horace Chayne and ———.

Thursday—Jefferson Payne and J. M. Peddicord.

Friday—John C. Lynch and U. M. Weaver.

Saturday—H. S. Kammerer.

A PLEASANT GATHERING.

At the close of the Service of Song last Sunday evening, in pursuance of the announcement in last weeks' BULLETIN, the Open-Air Workers gathered in the Parlors to confer about this branch of our work.

Reports were listened to from the four points where meetings have been regularly sustained during the summer, viz: Capitol Park, Third and Colder, South and Cowden, and Race and Hanna. These showed some room for improvement and great cause for encouragement.

The non church-going class have listened attentively in many cases—notably at the Capitol—to the Gospel as proclaimed in these meetings. Some may criticise, but undoubtedly the truth, carried to ears and hearts unaccustomed to the sound, will make some free.

After tea other religious work was discussed. The energy which has been expended upon these meetings should now be directed into other channels. If thus directed, it would soon be felt affecting the Young Men's Meeting, Bible Class, and other meetings. These need reinforcement, and we look to this source for it. In the Lord's service "we cannot ask to be excused even for a moment."

AT the meeting of the Board of Managers, the resignation of Mr. Chas. M. Singer, which has been compelled by press of other duties, was accepted, and the vacancy on the Board filled by the election of Mr. E. W. S. Parthemore. Dr. J. K. Smith becomes Chairman of the Executive Committee.

There was a good attendance, and much business occupied the Board.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

Have you secured a copy of the new Library Catalogue?

The Monthly Business Meeting will be held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Bear this in mind and be present!

The S. S. Teachers' Union Bible Class is conducted this month by Dr. C. L. Ehrenfeld. The attendance is good and should be better.

Mr. Geo. W. Mehaffey will lead the Service of Song to-morrow afternoon, beginning at 3.15—not at 3.30.

Last month three hundred and sixty-three books were taken from the Library, not including those read in the building.

There is to be a meeting especially for young men in the Parlors this evening at 8 o'clock. Come, and bring a friend!

Our friends could greatly assist us by securing advertisements for the Bulletin. Terms: $4.00 for thirteen insertions, a thousand copies weekly.

The Social Reception Committee will meet next Tuesday evening at 8.45 o'clock, to arrange for our Members' Receptions for the winter. The members of the committee are especially urged to be present.

A considerable number of memberships expired the first of this month. We hope they will all be promptly renewed There are others that have been allowed to run on, which should also be attended to at once.

A number of our readers have agreed to join the Sunday Morning Bible Class. Please be prompt to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, and the class will dismiss at 9.35. "Christian Joy" is the subject.

We are sorry to announce that our Gymnasium Superintendent, Mr. Geo. A. Lippincott, has been sick at home for a couple of weeks. He was taken sick while at Wilkes-Barre attending the Convention, and has not been able to return. We hope soon to welcome him back.

"Who will answer, gladly saying,
'Here am I, send me, send me?'"

We need several Christian boys for the Boys' Prayer Meeting Committee, and we want to bring it before the thoughtful attention of our younger members. Crosses manfully shouldered grow lighter, and the earlier we engage in Christian work the easier we find it. Those who are willing to help in the Boys' Prayer Meeting will please tell the General Secretary of their purpose. There's something for *each* of us now to do.

OUR MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 16, 1880.

SUNDAY	9.00	A. M.	Service in County Jail. C. A. Kunkel.
October 10.	9.00	"	Young Men's Bible Class. "Christian Joy." David McConaughy, Jr.
	1.30	P. M.	Mission Sunday School at Lochiel. J. H. Spicer, Superintendent.
	3.15	"	Service of Song. Association Hall. George W. Mehaffey.
	3.30	"	Service at Home for the Friendless. H. C. Demming.
	5.00	"	Bible Class (Colored). Wesley Mission, Marion near Colder. Charles May.
	6.00	"	Service at City Hospital. Wm. C. Berger.
MONDAY	7.30	"	Boys' Entertainment. Association Hall.
	8.30	"	Meeting of Reception Committee.
	8.30	"	Meeting of Boys' Committee.
TUESDAY	7.30	"	Membership Committee Meeting.
	8.00	"	Monthly Business Meeting.
	8.45	"	Social Reception Committee Meeting.
	9.00	"	Lecture Committee Meeting.
THURSDAY	7.30	"	Sunday School Teachers' Bible Class. Dr. C. L. Ehrenfeld.
FRIDAY	7.00	"	Boys' Literary Exercises.
	7.30	"	Boys' Prayer Meeting. Walter Sprenger.
	8.00	"	Members' Literary Society. Readings, Declamations and Debate.
SATURDAY	8.00	"	Young Men's Meeting.
EVERY WEEK-DAY	8.00 A. M.		Daily Prayer Meeting.
	9.45 P. M.		Evening Prayers in the Parlors.

THE DAILY MORNING PRAYER MEETING

Is held in the Reading Room every morning, except Sunday, at 8.00 o'clock, closing at 8.30.

TOPICS AND LEADERS FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY ..... *Willingness in Serving God.* I Chron. xxix. 9-20; II Cor. ix. 7. Rev. Galen Seiler.

TUESDAY ..... *Despised and Rejected of Men.* Matt. xxvi. 63-68; xxvii. 17-26. M. Blitz.

WEDNESDAY ..... *The Raising of the Widow's Son.* Luke vii. 11-17. J. N. Deeter.

THURSDAY ..... *Love for the Lord's Day.* Neh. xiii. 15-22; Is. lviii. 13, 14. J. Crothers.

FRIDAY ..... *The Demoniac in the Country of the Gardarenes.* Mark v. 1-20. Jas. K. Dumars.

SATURDAY ..... *Jacob at Bethel.* Gen. xxviii. 10-20. S. S. Barrett.

EVERYBODY IS INVITED TO ATTEND

GYMNASIUM CLASSES.

LADIES	5.15 to 6.15 P. M.	YOUTHS	7.30 to 8.30 P. M.
BOYS	6.15 to 7.15 P. M.	YOUNG MEN	8.45 to 9.45 P. M.

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GENEROUS GIFT.

The same generous friend who has before given practical evidence of his appreciation of the Association's services, has again came forward with liberal aid. The need of a new pavement has long been sensibly felt; our rear building has been awaiting its first coat of paint; and the hard floor of the Gymnasium has feelingly appealed to the soles of the gymnasts for a substitute. When the need appeared, a check for the requisite amount was drawn and sent. We wish gratefully to acknowledge to the donor our appreciation of his gift, and hope that the Association may continue to merit generous support from its friends.

At one of the public sessions of the recent convention, Mr. R. R. McBurney, General Secretary of the New York Association, was introduced as "not quite the father of the Y. M. C. A., but one of its uncles—not a bachelor uncle, but after a long engagement married to the Young Men's Christian Association."

LITERARY SOCIETY.

Programme for Friday, October 15.

Essay.....Wellington Jones.
Reading.....Parker N. Smith.
Declamation.....John Kurzenknabe.

DEBATE.

Resolved, That Washington was a greater man than Napoleon.

Affirmative.	*Negative.*
L. F. Kast,	J. H. Berkley,
W. R. McClure.	S. P. Keeling.

FOR THE DISTRICT.

Subjects for the Week Ending Oct. 23.

Public Meeting.—Whole-hearted for Christ. Luke 9:57–62.

Young Men's Meeting.—A Young Man's Wise Choice.—1 Kings 3:5–14.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE ON DUTY FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 16.

MONDAY.—John Hoover.
TUESDAY.—A. L. Groff
THURSDAY.—S. D. Ensinger, E. D. Shellenberger.
FRIDAY.—William H. Scheffer.
SATURDAY.—E. W. S Parthemore.

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